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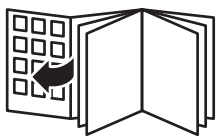

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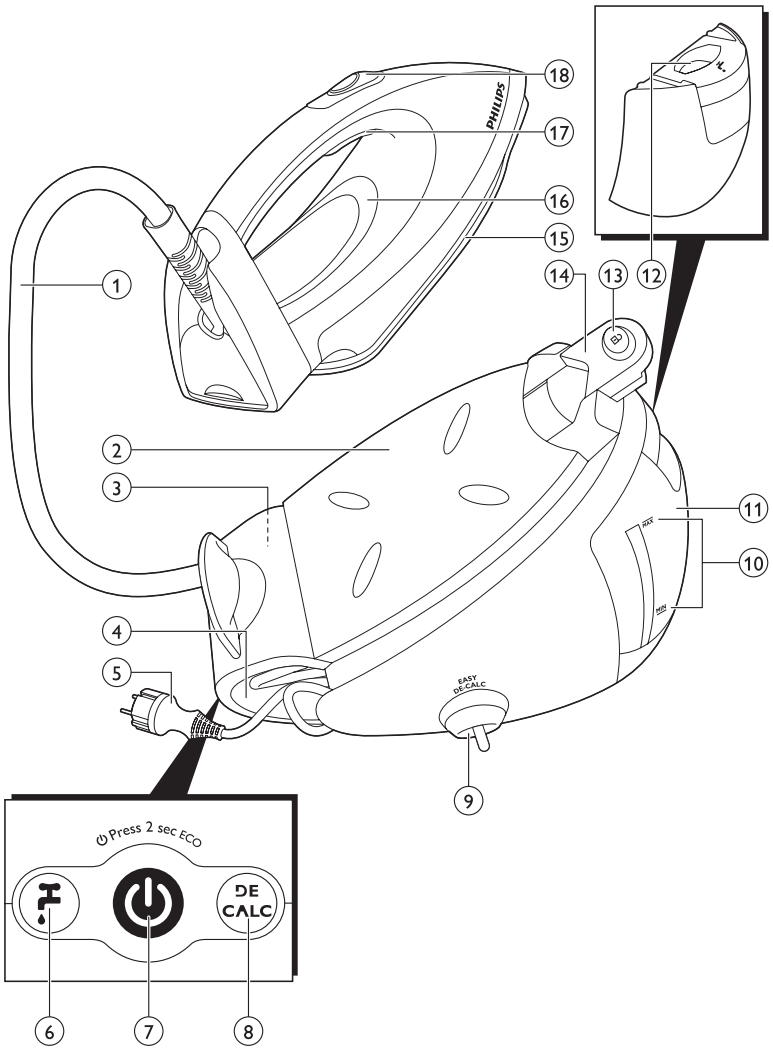
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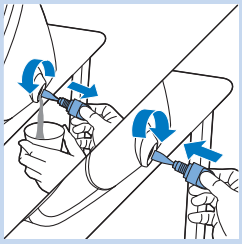

IMPORTANT:
Perform descaling regularly for great steam and prolonged life.

WICHTIG:
Entkalken Sie regelmäßig, um eine gute Dampfleistung und eine lange Nutzungsdauer zu gewährleisten.

IMPORTANT :
effectuez régulièrement un détartrage pour une vapeur de qualité et une durée de vie prolongée.

IMPORTANTE:
eseguite regolarmente la procedura di decalcificazione per avere maggiore vapore e maggiore durata del ferro.

BELANGRIJK:
regelmatig ontkalken zorgt voor goede stoom en een langere levensduur.

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Introduction

This iron has been approved by The Woolmark Company Pty Ltd for the ironing of wool only products provided that the garments are ironed according to the instructions on the garment label and those issued by the manufacturer of this iron. R1101. In United Kingdom, Eire, HongKong and India, the Woolmark trademark is a Certification trademark.

General description (Fig. 1)

1 Steam supply hose
2 Iron platform
3 Supply hose storage compartment
4 Cord storage compartment
5 Mains cord with plug
6 'Water tank empty' light
7 On/off button with ECO mode
8 EASY DE-CALC light
9 EASY DE-CALC knob
10 Water level indication
11 Detachable water tank
12 Filling hole
13 Carry lock release button (specific types only)
14 Carry lock (specific types only)
15 Soleplate
16 'Iron ready' light
17 Steam trigger
18 Steam boost button

Important

Read the separate important information leaflet and the user manual carefully before you use the appliance. Save both documents for future reference.

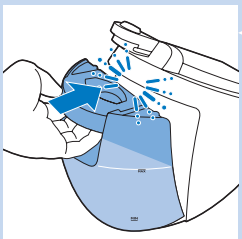
Preparing for use

Filling the detachable water tank

Do not put hot water, perfume, vinegar, starch, descaling agents, ironing aids or other chemicals in the water tank.
Fill the water tank before use and as soon as the 'water tank empty' light flashes.

1 Remove the detachable water tank from the steam generator and fill the water tank with tap water.

Note: Your appliance has been designed to be used with tap water. If you live in an area with very hard water, fast scale build-up may occur. In this case, it is recommended to mix 50% distilled water and 50% tap water to prolong the life of your appliance.

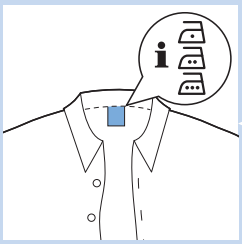


2 Slide the water tank back into the steam generator ('click').

'Water tank empty' light
When the water tank is almost empty, the 'water tank empty' light goes on and steam ironing is no longer possible. Fill the water tank to continue steam ironing.

Using the appliance

OptimalTemp technology



Do not iron non-ironable fabrics.

This steam generator is equipped with OptimalTemp technology, which enables you to iron all types of ironable fabrics without adjusting the iron temperature or steam setting.

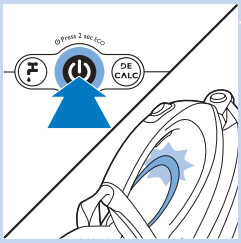
- Fabrics with these symbols are ironable, for example linen, cotton, polyester, silk, wool, viscose and rayon.

- Fabrics with this symbol are not ironable. These fabrics include synthetic fabrics such as Spandex or elastane, Spandex-mixed fabrics and polyolefins (e.g. polypropylene), but also prints on garments.

Ironing

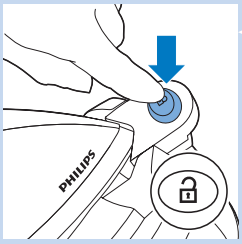
1 Place the steam generator on a stable and even surface.

2 Make sure that there is enough water in the water tank (see section 'Filling the detachable water tank').



3 Put the mains plug in an earthed wall socket and press the on/off button to switch on the steam generator. The 'iron ready' light starts to flash, to indicate that the steam generator is heating up (this takes approx. 2 minutes).

◗ When the 'iron ready' light lights up continuously, the steam generator is ready for use.



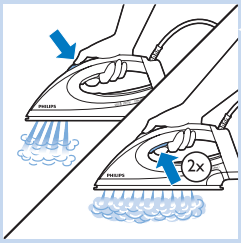
4 Specific types only: Press the carry lock release button to unlock the iron from the iron platform.

5 Press and hold the steam trigger to start Ironing.

Keep the trigger constantly pressed when moving the iron over the fabric.

Never direct steam at people.

Steam boost function



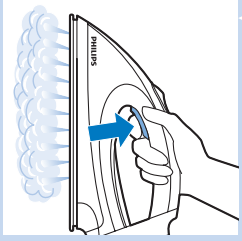
There are two steam boost functions for removing stubborn creases.

- Press the steam boost button for extra-strong steam output.
- Press the steam trigger twice quickly for a high continuous steam output. You do not have to press the steam trigger continuously, which gives a more comfortable ironing experience.

Vertical steam ironing

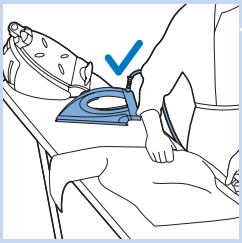
Hot steam is emitted from the iron. Never attempt to remove creases from a garment that someone is wearing. Do not apply steam near your or someone else's hand.

You can use the steam iron in vertical position to remove wrinkles from hanging fabrics.



1 Hold the iron in vertical position, press the steam trigger and touch the garment lightly with the soleplate.

Putting down the iron during ironing

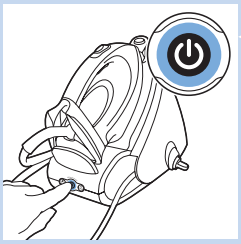


- During ironing, you can place the iron either on the iron platform or horizontally on the ironing board. Thanks to the OptimalTemp technology, the soleplate will not damage the ironing board cover.

Energy saving

ECO mode

By using ECO mode (reduced amount of steam), you can save energy without compromising on the ironing result.



1 To activate the ECO mode, press and hold the on/off button for 2 seconds. The light turns green.

2 To switch back to the 'OptimalTemp' setting, switch the steam generator off and on again.

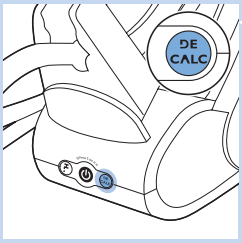
Safety Auto-off (specific types only)

The Safety Auto-off function automatically switches off the appliance if it has not been used for 10 minutes, to save energy.

IMPORTANT - Cleaning and maintenance

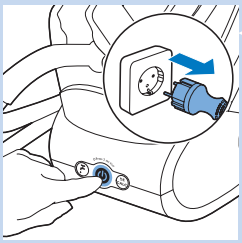
IMPORTANT - Descaling the steam generator

To ensure a long life for your steam generator, it is very important that you perform the descaling procedure when the EASY DE-CALC light starts to flash.



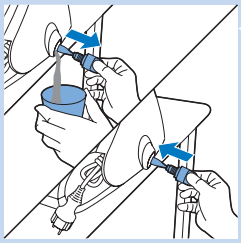
- The EASY DE-CALC light starts flashing after approx. one month or 10 ironing sessions to indicate that the steam generator needs to be descaled. To descale the steam generator, perform the steps below.

Never remove the EASY DE-CALC knob when the steam generator is hot.



1 Press the on/off button to switch off the steam generator and remove the plug from the wall socket.

2 Place the steam generator on a stable table with the EASY DE-CALC knob sticking out beyond the edge of the table or take the steam generator to a sink.



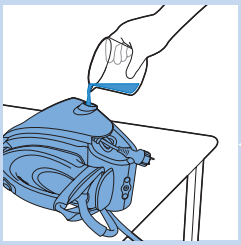
3 Hold a cup under the EASY DE-CALC knob. Turn the EASY DE-CALC knob anti-clockwise and let the water with scale particles flow into the cup. When no more water comes out of the steam generator, reinsert the EASY DE-CALC knob. Turn the knob clockwise to fasten it and put the plug back into the socket again.

You can now use the steam generator again.

Cleaning the soleplate

Clean the soleplate regularly to remove stains from the soleplate.

- To maintain a good gliding of your soleplate, it is recommended to clean it regularly (once every 2 months). You can do that by heating up the iron and moving the soleplate over a moist cloth.
- Descaling the soleplate: if you do not descale your steam generator regularly, scale may build up on the soleplate. You can remove scale by following the instructions below:



1. Descale the steam generator before you clean the soleplate (see section 'IMPORTANT - Descaling the steam generator').
2. Tilt the steam generator and pour 500ml distilled water into the opening. Reinsert the EASY DE-CALC knob and turn the knob clockwise to fasten it.
3. Press the on/off button and wait for 5 minutes.

4. Put a piece of thick cloth on your ironing board. Place your iron on the cloth, press and hold the steam trigger. While pressing the steam trigger, slowly move the iron back and forth across the cloth until no water comes out anymore or when steam comes out.

Hot, dirty water comes out of the soleplate.

5. Switch off the steam generator and let it cool down for 2 hours.
6. Remove the EASY DE-CALC knob and let the water flow into a cup. Reinsert the EASY DE-CALC knob and turn the knob clockwise to fasten it.

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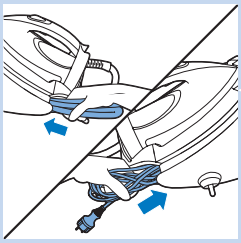

1. Switch off the steam generator and unplug it.
2. Remove the water tank and empty it.
3. Put the iron on the iron platform. Specific types only: push the carry lock to lock the iron onto the platform.
4. Fold the supply hose and mains cord. Put them in their respective storage compartments.
5. Specific types only: You can carry the appliance with one hand by the handle of the iron.

Do not carry the appliance by holding the water tank release lever.

Troubleshooting

This chapter summarises the most common problems you could encounter with the appliance. If you are unable to solve the problem with the information below, visit **www.philips.com/support** for a list of frequently asked questions or contact the Consumer Care Centre in your country.

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
The ironing board cover becomes wet.	Steam has condensed on the ironing board cover after a long ironing session.	Replace the ironing board cover if the foam material has worn out. You can also add an extra layer of felt material under the ironing board cover to prevent condensation on the ironing board.
Water droplets come out of the soleplate.	The steam that was still present in the hose has cooled down and condensed into water.	Point the iron away from the garment and let it produce steam for a few seconds.
Steam and/or water comes out from under the EASY DE-CALC knob.	The EASY DE-CALC knob is not tightened properly.	Switch off the appliance and wait for two hours for steam generator to cool down. Unscrew the EASY DE-CALC knob reattach it properly. Note: When you remove the knob, water comes out of the steam generator. If steam continues to escape, switch off the appliance and contact an authorised Philips service centre.
Dirty water and impurities come out of the soleplate.	Impurities or chemicals present in the water have deposited in the steam vents and/or on the soleplate.	Descale the steam generator regularly. See section 'Cleaning the soleplate' in chapter 'Cleaning and maintenance'.
	Too much scale and minerals have accumulated inside the steam generator.	Descale the steam generator regularly. See section 'IMPORTANT - Descaling the steam generator' in chapter 'Cleaning and maintenance'.
The iron leaves a shine or an imprint on the garment.	The surface to be ironed was uneven, for instance because you were ironing over a seam or a fold in the garment.	PerfectCare is safe on all garments. The shine or imprint is not permanent and will come off if you wash the garment. Avoid ironing over seams or folds or you can place a cotton cloth over the area to be ironed to avoid imprints.
The steam generator does not produce any steam.	There is not enough water in the water tank (the 'water tank empty' light flashes).	Fill the water tank.
	The steam generator is not hot enough to produce steam.	Wait until the 'iron ready' light on the iron lights up continuously.
	You did not press the steam trigger.	Press the steam trigger and keep it pressed while you steam iron.
	The water tank is not placed properly in the steam generator.	Slide the water tank firmly back into the steam generator ('click').
The steam generator produces a pumping sound.	Water is pumped into the boiler inside the steam generator. This is normal.	If the pumping sound continues nonstop, switch off the steam generator and remove the plug from the wall socket. Contact an authorised Philips service centre.